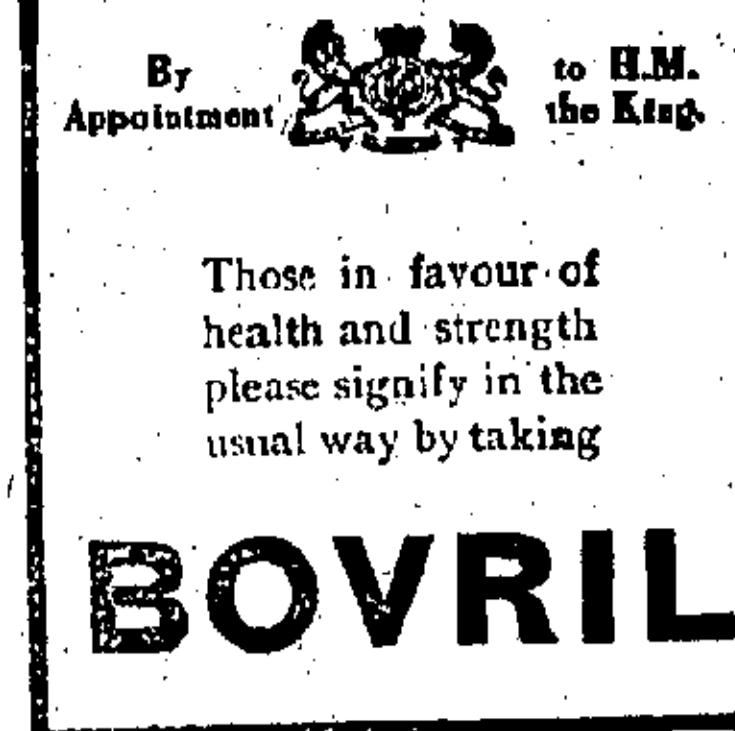


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HONGKONG, APRIL 2ND 1909.

Those who have read the evidence on
railway construction in Crown Colonies
(printed in the Daily Press yesterday) which
Sir FRANK SWETTENHAM gave before the
Committee appointed to inquire into the
organisation of the Crown Agents' Office
cannot have failed to notice how applicable
are many of his statements to the
little experience of railway construction that
we in this Colony have so far had. Giving
the experience of the Singapore railway, the
ex-Governor of the Straits Settlements said
the line took more than twice as long to
construct as it ought to have done; it cost
about twice the original estimate, and the
work was not well done, for a bridge sub-
sequently tumbled down and an embank-
ment gave way. Everybody, Sir FRANK
added, became a critic of the railway, so
that at last the engineer got so tired of it
all that, mainly through the representations
of the Government, when it was nearly
completed, he went away. Now, it is
interesting to compare the experience of
Hongkong with this statement of the ex-
perience of Singapore. When in 1905 it was
decided to build the Kowloon railway by
means of a loan, the Crown Agents sent out
a capable engineer to make a preliminary
survey on which they based a preliminary
estimate. Sir MATTHEW NATHAN, in his
great anxiety to push forward the construc-
tion of the line with the utmost possible
dispatch, instructed the Public Works
Department to begin work in November
1905. Meanwhile the Crown Agents had

appointed a Chief Resident Engineer, and
the first thing that gentleman did when he
came to the Colony in March 1906, was to
find fault with the survey that had been
made and to alter the alignment to such an
extent as to render practically useless what
work the Public Works Department had
already done at a cost of between twenty
and thirty thousand dollars. The original
estimate for these twenty-two miles of
railway was £50,000, but it is now known
that the actual cost will not fall many
pounds short of a million sterling. So that
this Colony's experience agrees so far with
that of Singapore in that (1) the line will
take about twice as long to complete as it
was at first expected to take; and (2) the
line will cost about twice the original
estimate. These facts have been alr. ady
ascertained. Whether the parallel might
be further drawn we are not in a position to say, but we may here
mention that among other questions
asked in a letter which reached us quite
recently was one as to whether it is in fact
that bed cracks are being found in the
bridges, due to faulty foundations. When
His Excellency the Governor about a year
ago gave in the Legislative Council a history
of the railway he mentioned that the Home
Government in adopting the departmental
system of construction through the medium
of the Crown Agent, claims that it saves
contractors' profits; that alterations which
further examination of the country or en-
larged or altered views may render neces-
sary, can at any time be made without
liability to contractors which would be
incurred if the contract had already been
signed. It gives more direct supervis'on to
the Government and gives more discretion
as to change. These, said the Governor, are
great advantages. No doubt they are, but
the point is whether the advantages are as
great as they might be if the local Govern-
ment were left to construct the line. The
usual objection to such a course is that the
local officials have not had as a rule any
experience of building railways, but as Sir
FRANK SWETTENHAM told the Committee,
it is surely just as easy for the Colony to
appoint a chief engineer as it is for the
Consulting Engineers. Under the present
system the Consulting Engineers who are
nominally the Government's technical
advisers are actually the constructors of the
railway; and the local Government,
which pays the bill, has no effective control
over the expenditure. His Excellency
the Governor himself admitted that
the local Government is not in close
touch with the consulting engineers and
does not correspond directly with them.
Mr. HARRIS, one of the members
of the Committee which inquired into
the organisation of the Crown Agent's
Office, said he had had some little
experience of the Colonial Office and he
could not help thinking that Sir FRANK
SWETTENHAM was telling the Committee of
a system which was an anomaly. Mr.
HARRIS should therefore be interested to
learn that the system which he describes as
an anomaly is the system under which the
British section of the Kowloon-Canton rail-
way is being constructed at the present time
with results, in some respects at least
analogous to those of the Singapore
railway, and it is rather surprising to
find no condemnation of this anomalous
system in the Report of the Committee.
The incredulity with which Sir FRANK
SWETTENHAM's statements were received by
members of Committee closely associated
with the Colonial Office certainly justified
the subject in the Report.

At the Magistracy yesterday Mr. Kemp
sentenced a native to three months' imprisonment
and three hours' stocks for entering No. 56
Canton Road, with intent to commit a felony.

Five Chinese, two of whom were employed on
H.M.S. Tamar, appeared before Mr. F. A.
Hazelard at the Magistracy yesterday on a
charge of fighting outside No. 2 Police Station.
They were fined \$5 each.

The Hongkong Cinematograph Company
(opposite the central market) announces for
tomorrow night an attractive programme by
Japanese Jugglers and a Comedy Co., which
is on a tour to Europe.

Mr. E. C. Wilks, having severed his connection
with the firm of Wilks and Jack, Limited, announces
that he has established himself in the
Colony as a Consulting Engineer and Surveyor
with an office in York Buildings. Mr. W. C.
Jack announces that the management of the
firm of Wilks and Jack, Limited, has been
taken over by himself.

Two charges of returning from banishment
were heard at the Magistracy yesterday. One
native who appeared before Mr. J. H. Kemp was
sentenced to three months' imprisonment and
three hours' stocks, while the offender who was
charged before Mr. Hazelard was committed to
jail for six months and ordered to be exposed in
the stocks for six hours.

TELEGRAMS.

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This month the Hippodrome Circus and
Menagerie is to pay the Colony a visit. Mr.
A. Jackson, the advance agent is now in Hong-
kong making arrangements, and the circus is
expected to open at Causeway Bay about the
15th inst. It has been about three years in the
East and is at the present time at Saigon.

Further official changes took place yesterday.
Mr. J. R. Wood leaving the Magistracy to take
up his substantive appointment at the Supreme
Court as Deputy Registrar and Appraiser, while
Mr. C. D. Melbourne left the Registry of the
Supreme Court and returned to his old
position as first clerk at the Magistracy.

An interesting speech was delivered by H. E.
the Governor at the Legislative Council yester-
day when he indicated the improvements that
were being effected at the Observatory. In the
Finance Committee an appropriation of \$11,060
was passed for compensation to the 26 opium
divan keepers whose divans had been closed
under the opium restriction instructions of the
Home Government.

The suspected larceny of a watch and chain
led the police to make inquiries at the second
floor of No. 70, Hollywood Road. The stolen
property was not found when the house was
searched, but it was discovered that the tenant
of the floor was a member of the Trind Society.
On this charge he appeared before Mr. J. H.
Kemp, and was sentenced to two months' im-
prisonment.

A native appeared before Mr. Hazeland at the
Magistracy yesterday on a charge of snatching
an ear pick from a woman in Queen's Road.
He denied the charge, informing his Worship
that there was no need for him to snatch
anything as he had a lot of outstanding debts
due, and could collect several tens of dollars at
any time. The hearing of the case was adjourned.

How long does the P. W. D. propose to keep
the Praya between Hongkong Club and the
Status Wharf in its present disgraceful
state? Stones are landed from the junks
and dumped in heaps along the waterfront.
On the other side of the road there are more
heaps of sand and rubble and a couple of tar
boilers, while the side path is obstructed by
similar heaps undergoing the tarring process.
Only a Government contractor could do these
things with impunity, and in this case there is
very little excuse for thus monopolising the
public thoroughfare.

The Under Secretary of State for the Colonies
in a letter to a correspondent dated February 16th
said he could not undertake to discuss the ques-
tion of the policy which His Majesty's Govern-
ment should pursue with regard to Weihaiwei,
and Lord Crewe was unable to admit the
justice of the criticism that the Protectorate
is neglected by the Imperial Authorities, and
that the uncertainty as to the future effectively
stops private enterprise from developing. The
Colonial Secretary could hardly be expected to
admit as much, but it is nevertheless palpably
true.

THE ROYAL ENTERTAINERS.

The Royal Entertainers, a combination new
to Hongkong, but coming here with an excellent
reputation inaugurated what is likely to prove a
successful season in the colony last night when
a good house witnessed their initial performance
and formed agreeable impressions of the merit
of the company. The programme opened
with a musical comedy farce in one act
entitled "Behind the Scenes" and introducing
vaudeville numbers. A there was but little plot to the piece it gave the
company plenty of opportunity to display
their talents. Mr. Wallner, the German
baron made the most of a thankless
leading comedy role, while Miss Ferrace shared
honors with him as a comedienne in her impersonation
of a precocious call boy. Perhaps the
most attractive feature of this sketch was the
duet between Miss Murray and Mr. Brinkman.
Both artists possess excellent voices which have
been well trained.

An eccentric dance by Misses Wallace
and Robert McGree, which was entirely
out of the ordinary, was greatly appreciated.
Mr. McGree will be remembered by old time
residents for his inimitable performance as
jockey in "Lord and Lady Aly" when that
piece was produced in Hongkong several years
ago by the Neil Frawley company.

The second part of the performance was
devoted to vaudeville and an interesting pro-
gramme was presented, the principal number
being Miss Ferrace's singing of her own com-
positions, the dancing of the Williams Sisters
and the ladies quartette which consisted of
Miss Wallace, Ruby Chrystal, Ferrace and
Murray. Mr. Brinkman pleased with his
rendering of Kipling's "On the Road to Man-
daly," which has been set to such bewitching
music by Cobb. His rich baritone voice
admirably suited the piece. Miss Murray
caught the pit with a character song "At the
Play" while Miss Wallace added a droll
variety of the programme with a catchy
serio-comic turn. Miss Ruby Chrystal,
who possesses a clear robust contralto voice
rendered several ballads to the taste of those
present. The dancing of Miss Wallace and
Anna Chrystal was very graceful and this
together with several acrobatic turns made the
programme one of great variety and interest.

To-night the company will present a change
of programme, the feature terra being a novelty
song entitled the "Choir Girl."

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The H.-A. Linie str. Ilyria left Shanghai on
the 31st ultimo, and may be expected here on or
about the 3rd inst.

The J.-C.-J. Lijn str. Tiliawang left Moji
for this port on the 31st ultimo p.m., and may be
expected here on or about the 6th inst. a.m.

The N.G.I. str. Ischia left Singapore for this
port on the 31st ultimo, and may be expected
here on or about the 7th inst.

The Indo-China str. Nameung left Calcutta
for this port via the Straits on the 30th ultimo,
and may be expected here on or about the 15th
inst.

The Appear str. Artajon Appear from Yoko-
hama; Kobe and Moji left Moji on the 1st
afternoon, and may be expected here on or
about the 6th inst.

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for this port via the Straits on the 30th ultimo,
and may be expected here on or about the 15th
inst.

Japanese Government with a view to
admitting more students into the
Japanese naval college.

CIGARETTE SMOKING IN CHINA.

TOKYO, April 1st.
The Powers have refused to allow
China to impose heavier taxation on
cigarettes.

[This is the outcome of a proposition made
some time ago by a Chinese official that increased
duties be levied with a view to stopping the
importation of cigarettes in China, the smoking
of which was a great evil.]

BASELESS REPORTS.

TOKYO, April 1st.
Peking officials state that the
reports that China is proposing
arbitration and that Japan is refusing
are groundless.

FAMOUS TEMPLE DESTROYED.

TOKYO, April 1st.
Jojoji, the famous temple at Shiba,
has been destroyed by fire and damage
amounting to a million yen has been
done.

THE STRIKE OF TELEGRAPHISTS IN PARIS.

Normal telegraphic communication with Paris
and the North of France is now re-established,
the strike of telegraphists since the 18th ult.
being now ended.

EIGHT DREADNOUGHTS DEMANDED.

LONDON, March 31st.
An enthusiastic meeting held at the
Guildhall passed a resolution urging
the immediate construction of eight
Dreadnoughts.

The audience tumultuously cheered
Mr. Balfour's arguments in favour of
the demand.

The meeting adopted a resolution
proposed by Lord Rothschild pledging
itself to give financial support for the
increased naval programme.

THE NAVY DEBATES.

ACRIMONIOUS POLEMICS IN THE GERMAN PRESS.

LONDON, March 31st.
The Navy debates in the House of
Commons and in the Reichstag are
producing rather acrimonious polemics
in the German Press which is
jubilating over the Austro-German
success in the Balkans and takes
exception to Sir Edward Gray's
declaration that the attempt of a single
Continental Power to dominate the
policy of the Continent will inevitably
cause a conflict.

The official newspaper the "Fremdenblatt" announces that Austria will
maintain her forces on their present
footing in view of the Anglo-French
shouts of revenge.

BRITISH REVENUE RETURNS.

LONDON, April 1st.
The Revenue returns for the quarter
show an increase of £70,208, but on
the whole year there is a decrease of
£4,950,395.

JAPAN AND GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, April 1st.
Sir T. Kato, K.C.M.G., the Japanese
Ambassador to London, was the
chief guest last night at a dinner given
by the Naval Architects.

His Excellency emphasised that
Japanese interests were identical with
those of Great Britain.

LORD KITCHENER COMING EAST.

LONDON, April 1st.
It is reported that Lord Kitchener
will vacate the Office of Commander-in-Chief in India in September
and will proceed home via China
and Japan, and will avail himself of
the opportunity of attending the
Japanese Army manoeuvres.

FROM THE "CHUNG NGOI SAN PO."

CHINA'S NAVAL ANTICIPATIONS.

PEKING, April 1st.
The Peking Government have
wired to the Chinese Minister at
Tokyo asking him to consult the

HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Hongkong Legislative
Council was held yesterday in the Council
Chamber.

The following were present:-

HIS EXCELLENCE THE GOVERNOR, SIR
FREDERICK JOHN DEALTRY LUGARD
K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.

H. E. COLONEL DARLING, R.E. (General
Officer Commanding).

HON. MR. F. H. MAY, C.M.G. (Colonial
Secretary).

SIR HENRY BEEKELEY, K.C. (Acting At-
torney-General).

HON. MR. A. M. THOMSON (Colonial Tre-
asurer).

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
BENALDE, British str., 1,559. A. Tough, 1st April—Singapore 26th March, General Gibb, Livingston & Co.
HAICHI, Chinese cruiser, 3,400, Shen, 31st March—Shanghai.
HAIYING, Chinese cruiser, 3,400, Lin, 31st March—Shanghai.
HAKATA MARU, Japanese str., 3,820, T. Murai, 1st April—Singapore 26th March, General Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
HANGSANG, British str., 1,356. S. Wilde, 1st April—Shanghai 27th March, General Jardine, Matheson & Co.
KIANA PING, Chinese str., 1,222, Udden, 1st April—Chinkiang 27th March, General Chinese.
MARILDA, German str., 831. A. P. Uldeper, 1st April—Haiphong and Hoihow 31st March, Rice and Pigs—Johsen & Co.
PEKING, Swedish str., 2,217. G. Petersson, April 1st—Singapore 27th March, General Order.
THINTAU, German str., 1,002, Bueking, 31st March—Bangkok 22nd March, Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
WAKAMIVA MARU, Japanese str., 3,437. T. Yamawaki, 1st April—Boulogne via Singapore 24th March, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

CLEARANCES.
AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.

1st April.

Haitau, British str., for Swatow.

Helene, German str., for Shanghai.

Lian, British str., for Shanghai.

Peking, Swedish str., for Shanghai.

Triumph, Ger. str., for Hoihow.

DEPARTURES.

1st April.

AHNU, British str., for Canton.

AHARD MARU, Japanese str., for Kuchinotzu.

BELGRAVIA, German str., for Shanghai.

CHOYANG, British str., for Shanghai.

GLENFALLOCH, British str., for Amoy.

HAINAN, British str., for Amoy.

HANGHANG, British str., for Canton.

INDRANI, British str., for Shanghai.

KIANGANG, Chinese str., for Canton.

MANDASAR MARU, Jap. str., for Kuchinotzu.

SPEZZA, German str., for Hamburg.

TANGSANG, British str., for Shanghai.

YATMING, British str., for Canton.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Tsinan* reports: Strong N.E. monsoon during voyage.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

April 1st.

ABERDEEN DOCK.—

KOWLOON DOCK.—*Tarla*, Dilly, Shuntee, Empress of Japan, H.M.S. *Merton*.

COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—

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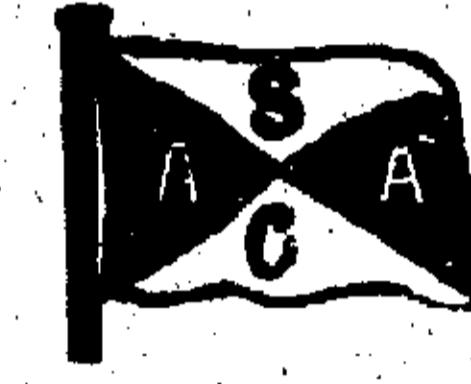
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The CHAIRMAN.—I have tried to explain to members that the loss will be calculated as from March 1st, 1910, on the letting of the new contract.

The COLONIAL TREASURER.—That is the difficulty. How is the loss to be calculated? You can only tell what the new farm may bring. This is a definite loss.

The CHAIRMAN.—Yes.

Hon. Dr. HO KAI.—There is no harm in noting it down.

The CHAIRMAN.—We know it is an actual loss. Still it is a very small thing.

Hon. Mr. HEWETT.—The principle is a very important one, and the loss before we are finished will be very serious. I think the Colonial Treasurer is quite right in raising the question at this time. There ought to be a preliminary protest as the action has been forced upon us by the Imperial Parliament against our wish and we believe to the detriment of the Colony at large.

The CHAIRMAN.—The question will come up when we let the new farm. We will then know how much the letting value has been diminished. I have no doubt, as his Excellency has informed the Council, we will receive every consideration

the H.M. Government. It only complicates the matter, this small matter, as it was understood we would not press a case of this kind.

Hon. Mr. HEWETT.—We look to the Home

Government and expect liberal compensation,

but it does not follow that we will get it unless we make a protest at once.

The CHAIRMAN.—I think His Majesty's Government understand that. However, I will inform His Excellency of what hon. members have said.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50) in aid of the vote, Medical Department, A—Staff, Other Charges, Health Officer of Port, Boat's Crew and Messenger.

OBSEVATORY VOTE.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of nine hundred and fifty dollars (\$950) in aid of the vote, Observatory, Laboratory Expenses for purchase of Anemograph and Chronograph.

LOCAL SPORT.

CRICKET NOTES.

The League competition is nearly over. "B" team have beaten the Civil Service, who have been running them so close for the shield, and the matches on the board for the "B" should prove a win in each case. They have to play the "A" team twice and the Telegraphs once. Had they met their Club rivals in the earlier stages, when the fleet gave the latter such useful players as Mullinix and Maundrell, the result might have looked doubtful, but barring accidents the "A" team, minus the Naval contingent are not strong enough to beat the "B" combination. Should, however, the "A's" be successful in one match and draw in the other, the Civils will be again level for first place, in which case another interesting match might be witnessed, such as delighted the spectators on the Club ground last Saturday. The "B" team playing an uphill game all the way won from the Civils by one run with last man in, and the light was so bad that the batsman had to guess to a certain extent where the ball was coming.

THE CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE.

The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded and the motion was agreed to.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND BUILDINGS AMENDMENT ORDINANCE.

The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Life Insurance Companies' Ordinance, 1907.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded and the motion was agreed to.

LIFE INSURANCE CO'S ORDINANCE.

The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Life Insurance Companies' Ordinance, 1907.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

THE EVIDENCE ORDINANCE.

The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Evidence Ordinance, 1899.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded and the motion was agreed to.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY ORDINANCE.

The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Wireless Telegraphy Ordinance, 1903.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded and the motion was agreed to.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was then held, the COLONIAL SECRETARY presiding. The following votes were passed.

MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of eleven thousand six hundred and thirteen dollars (\$11,613) in aid of the vote, Miscellaneous Services Compensation to Licensees for closure of Opium Divans.

The CHAIRMAN.—This is for compensation to the licensees of twenty-six opium divans which have been closed off from the 1st March.

The COLONIAL TREASURER.—In connection with this, is there any intention on the part of the Imperial Government to carry out their abstract resolution for paying compensation for loss?

The CHAIRMAN.—No, these terms do not come into operation until the beginning of the next year. This is a matter of small compensation.

The COLONIAL TREASURER.—It is the direct result of the action taken by the Home Government.

The CHAIRMAN.—I don't think we will squabble over an item of \$11,000. We are not so hard up as all that yet.

Hon. Dr. HO KAI.—It might be noted, however. By and bye we shall be presenting our bill.

The CHAIRMAN.—That does not come until we let the new farm. This obligation will be discharged by the Colony.

Hon. Dr. HO KAI.—It would be included as part of the loss.

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SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, April 1st.

IN BANKRUPTCY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE (Sir FRANCIS PIGGOT).

S. E. ALANNA'S AFFAIRS.

S. E. Alanna appeared for his public examination.

Debtor in reply to the Official Receiver, said he was the late proprietor of S. E. Alanna and Company, drapers, 1a D'Aguilar Street, which he business he started in December 1906 when he bought it from S. M. Barroso for about \$15,000.

It was less than \$15,000 and more than \$14,000. He could not remember the exact amount. It was paid in installments of \$400 a month and those he paid up till the time he filed his petition.

He had no capital when he started except \$1,000 worth of jewelry. He had no partners. He thought he made a profit in the first year. The only books he kept were a customers' ledger. He did not keep a cash book.

By the Court:—Why not?—Because I had no partners.

Debtor said he had a banking account at the Yokohama Specie Bank which he opened in 1907. Prior to that he had an account at the International Bank which was closed. On November 7th he paid into the Yokohama Bank \$3,000 which Moosa Vieira asked him to keep for him.

Moosa handed him \$8,000 to keep for him, \$5,000 of which he placed in the Dutch Bank. This account was closed.

Rather an extraordinary thing to give you \$8,000 to keep, wasn't it? Was there any agreement?—No agreement.

Were you to keep it as long as you pleased?—No, until he wanted it.

Did you pay it back to him?—Yes.

In the month following you paid \$6,000 into the Yokohama Specie Bank?—I drew it from the Dutch Bank and paid it into the Yokohama Specie Bank.

Debtor explained with regard to another cheque that he had bought a draft for \$500 at the instance of Moosa in order to make a little on the exchange. Moosa had no interest in the business, but he sold goods to debtor on commission. Debtor thought he made more than \$2,000 in the first year.

What were your personal expenses?—During the first year my pocket expenses were \$100 a month.

You kept no account?—No.

It might have been \$1,000 for all you know?—No, not so much.

Debtor, asked why he drew out cheques to bearer, said that sometimes they were for other people and sometimes for his pocket expenses. Some of the cheques paid to Moosa were after the bankruptcy and those had been paid to the Official Receiver.

Can you make out any statement as to what you have been spending on yourself during the last two years?—This year I spent more money because after November 1907 I started drinking and I did not know how many dollars I spent.

You have been spending a lot of money?—I don't know. Before I never drank. After November I was always thinking about my cagages.

You know you have been spending considerable sums, in drinking and other things?—At morning time I was very sorry but at night time I did not know how many dollars I was spending.

Where did you get the money from?—Selling the cargo in the shop in business.

Have you been in the habit of frequenting disorderly houses?—Yes.

You spent a lot of money there?—Yes.

Have you any family dependent upon you?—No.

Mr. Scott Harston, who appeared for Messrs. J. D. Hutchison and Company, questioned the debtor.

When did you first know you were insolvent?

—At the last moment when every creditor wished to take money.

Do you recall having an interview with Mr. Pearce of Messrs. J. D. Hutchison and Company in October last when you assured him you were solvent?—No.

Do you deny that you had the interview and that you said that?—I told him nothing.

If Mr. Pearce says you said you were solvent and it was in consequence of that statement he allowed you to have \$3,000 worth of goods, he is not speaking the truth?—He came to my shop and asked me to give him an order and I gave him an order.

It was not a case for damages because he did not think the damages could be expressed at present.

Therefore he thought it was a case for specific performance, but not yet. Specific performance could only be when the conditions which were to be fulfilled by plaintiffs themselves had been fulfilled. That was really carrying out the term of the contract. Those conditions might be very small but that is neither here nor there.

There were certain things to be done by plaintiffs and when those were done the plaintiffs could have specific performance. Of course there could be no judgment finally drawn up until then. Both parties could look about for a tenant and he was sure that such would help the other and directly there was a tenant the whole matter would come to an end.

Mr. Pollock said there were two little points to be mentioned. First his clients were to have built the vestibule by the first of February this year and then the lease also was to have started from that date. Of course there could not be specific performance from the first of February.

His Lordship—I do not see how I can help you any further.

Mr. Pollock—Will the four years and two months mean from the new date?

His Lordship—Oh yes.

Sir Henry—if the plaintiffs are not in a position to give a lease for four years and two months no order should be made?

His Lordship—I do not follow that.

Sir Henry—I am informed that they are not in a position to give a lease for four years and two months, because their own lease is not long enough.

His Lordship—Then it must be reduced.

You knew he had hypothecated the goods?—Yes.

Don't you think that before transferring this business you should have communicated with the bank?—I thought a good price was offered for the business and I sold it.

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You knew that shortly afterwards he went bankrupt?—Yes.

Why didn't you inform the Official Receiver about this money?—He was not bankrupt when he gave me the money.

He was bankrupt before you delivered up the money?—Yes.

You knew he was bankrupt and you took no steps to give up the money?—He told me to keep it as it is.

Do you call that honest?—He told me to keep it as it is.

Do you call that honest on your part?—I can't say.

I suggest to you that the whole of these drawings of yours and this complication with Moosa E. Vieira was a system of jugglery?—No, it was not.

Why didn't you draw the cheques in an honest way with the man's name on them?—Well he asked me to give him cash.

You have not kept proper books of account?—Only a ledger.

You have been guilty of extravagance in living?—I did not know it at that time.

The public examination was closed.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BECFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE (Sir F. PIGGOT).

ROBINSON PIANO COMPANY V. MADAME FLINT.

The hearing of argument in this action was continued. The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. Holt, appeared for the plaintiffs, and Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., instructed by Mr. Steavenson of Messrs. Deacon, Looker and Deacon, appeared for the defendant.

At February first.

At the conclusion of the argument,

His Lordship, in giving judgment, said he did not think he could accept the suggestion which had been made with regard to the terms of the letters by defendant. He had to look at the intention of the parties in the series of correspondence and it was clear to his mind that they had agreed after a series of written discussions as to what the principal terms were on which the lease was going to be taken out. Then came a final remark by defendant that if plaintiffs instructed their solicitors to prepare a draft lease

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STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS	DELHI	Noon, 3rd April See Special of Call Capt. J. D. Andrews, R.N.R.
SHANGHAI MOJI, KOBE, PERA	YOKOHAMA	About 9th Freight and Passage Capt. W. W. Cooke, R.N.R.
LONDON and ANTWERP	SUMATRA	About 14th Freight and Passage Capt. E. W. Bruce
VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLE	ANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLE	April Passage
SHANGHAI	ASSAYE	About 15th Freight and Passage Capt. W. G. Gordon, R.N.R.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1909.

**CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.
SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.**

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"ANHUI"	On 4th April, D'light
CHINKIANG	"WUHU"	On 4th April, D'light
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 6th April, 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHINHUA"	On 8th April, 4 P.M.
MANILA, ZAMBALANGA, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK TOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNS, VILLE BRISBANE, SYDNEY, with Transhipment for TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND, ADELAIDE, FLEMINGTON and PERTH	"CHANGSHA"	On 9th April, 4 P.M.
WEIHAIWEI and TIENSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 10th April, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	On 11th April, D'light
CEBU and ILOIO	"KAIFONG"	On 12th April, 4 P.M.
MANILA	"TAMING"	On 13th April, 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	On 15th April, 4 P.M.

DIRECT SAILINGS TO WEST RIVER. Twice Weekly.

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AUSTRALIAN STEAMERS have superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

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FARE INCLUDING WINES \$40 SINGLE and \$70 RETURN.

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For Freight or Passage apply to—

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HIGHEST CLASS—FASTEST AND MOST LUXURIOUS STEAMERS ON THE COAST, HAVING SPLENDID ACCOMMODATION FOR FIRST-CLASS PASSENGERS. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND FIRST-CLASS CUISINE.

STEAMERS	FOR	LEAVING
"HAITAN"	SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	FRIDAY, 2nd April, at Noon.
"HAIXIANG"	SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	TUESDAY, 6th April, at Noon.

FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF PASSENGERS, STEAMERS WILL ARRIVE AT, AND DEPART FROM, THE COMPANY'S WHARF (NEAR BLAKE PIER).

For Freight and Passage apply to—

DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1909.

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OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE BETWEEN HONGKONG SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	THE CO'S S.S.	LEAVING
TAMSUI via SWATOW,	"DALIN MARU"	SUNDAY, 4th April, at 10 A.M.
+ SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"BUJUN MARU"	TUESDAY, 6th April, at 8 A.M.

* These new Steamers have excellent accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers and are fitted throughout with Electric Light. First-class Cabins Amidships. Unrivalled Table.

† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and North China Ports.

For Freight, Passage and further information, apply at the Company's Local Branch Office, Second Floor, No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1909.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

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INDO-CHINA S. NAV. CO., LTD.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION)

STEAMERS	FOR	TO SAIL
LOONGSANG	MANILA, PENANG & CALCUTTA	Friday, 2nd April, 4 P.M.
LAISANG	SINGAPORE, WEI-LI	Saturday, 3rd April, 4 P.M.
CHEONGHING	HAIWEI & CHEFOO	Sunday, 4th April, D'light
HANGSAM	SHANGHAI	Monday, 5th April, 4 P.M.
YATSHING	SHANGHAI	Monday, 5th April, 4 P.M.
YUENSANG	MANILA	Friday, 9th April, 4 P.M.
NAMSANG	SH'HAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	Tuesday, 20th April, 4 P.M.

RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN.

OCCUPYING 24 DAYS.

The Steamers "KUTSANG," "NAMSANG" and "FOOKSANG" leave about every 3 weeks for Shanghai and Yokohama returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong, providing a stay 6 days in Japan if passengers leave the steamer at Yokohama and rejoin at Kobe.

These vessels have all modern improvements and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

A duly qualified surgeon is also carried.

Steamers have superior accommodation for First Class Passengers and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Yangtze Ports, Chefoo, Tientsin & Newchwang.

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Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila. Saloon amidships. Electric Light, Perfect Cuisine SURGEON and STEWARDESSES carried. All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

**CHINA AND MANILA
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STEAMSHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN	FOR	SAILING DATE
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila	On 2nd April, 5 P.M.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila	On 10th April, Noon.

For Freight or Passage apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
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Hongkong, 1st April, 1909.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN

REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR ON OR ABOUT
TJIMAH	AMOY	First half of April	JAVA First half of April
TJIPANAS	JAVA	First half of April	SHANGHAI First half of April
TJILIWONG	JAPAN	First half of April	JAPAN First half of April
TJILATJAP.	JAPAN	Second half of April	JAVA Second half of April
TJIKINI	JAPAN	Second half of April	JAVA Second half of April
TJBODAS	JAVA	First half of May	JAPAN First half of May

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian Ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the
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JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

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SOUTH AMERICAN LINE.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE FOR CALIAO, IQUIQUE, VALPARAISO, ETC. VIA MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU, MANZANILLO AND SALINA CRUZ (MEXICO).

S.S. AMERICA MARU	6000 tons gross	Sail April 14th, 1909.
S.S. HONGKONG MARU	6000	June — 1909.
S.S. MANSHU MARU	5000	August — 1909.
S.S. AMERICA MARU	6000	October — 1909.

For particulars apply to

K. MATSUDA, Manager.
TOYO KISEN KAISHA, York Building.

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SOUTH MANCHURIA RAILWAY CO.
SHORTEST AND QUICKEST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA AND EUROPE VIA DAIREN (DALNY).
MAIN RAILWAY LINE—Semi-Weekly Express Service from Dairen to Changchun (Kwanchengtu), in connection with Siberian Express trains at Harbin, by a train composed of excellently equipped Sleeping and Dining Cars expressly built for the Company by the Pullman Car Co.

BRANCH RAILWAY LINES:
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TICKETS AGENTS in the FAR EAST and EUROPE: Messrs. THOS. COOK & SON and the INTERNATIONAL SLEEPING CAR & EXPRESS TRAINS CO.

FUSHUN COLLIERIES—Fushun Steam Coal is supplied at Dairen, Yingkou, &c. Fresh stock always on hand.

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Correspondence for EUROPE via SIBERIA is forwarded from HONGKONG by all vessels sailing for SHANGHAI.

Approximate times of closing mails at Shanghai via Dalmatia and Siberia.

9th April	... at 10:45 a.m.
15th April	... at 8:15 p.m.
23rd April	... at 9:45 a.m.
29th April	... at 8:15 p.m.
7th May	... at 9:45 a.m.

FOR PER DATE

Hollow, Tournon and Quinquevons	Friday, 2nd, 9:00 A.M.
Swarow, Amoy and Foochow	Friday, 2nd, 11:00 A.M.
Hainan	Friday, 2nd, 1:00 P.M.
Triumph	Friday, 2nd, 1:15 P.M.
Sui Tai	Friday, 2nd, 2:00 P.M.
Chidam	Friday, 2nd, 3:00 P.M.
Loosang	Friday, 2nd, 4:00 P.M.
Wakamiya Maru	Friday, 2nd, 4:00 P.M.
Hakata Maru	Friday, 2nd, 5:00 P.M.
Bubi	Friday, 2nd, 6:00 P.M.
Pakal	Friday, 3rd, 8:00 A.M.
Takao Maru	Saturday, 3rd, 10:00 A.M.
Borneo	Saturday, 3rd, 10:00 A.M.
Kord	Saturday, 3rd, 10:00 A.M.
Tjimati	Saturday, 3rd, 10:00 A.M.
Printed Matter and Samples	Saturday, 10:00 A.M.
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail)	Registration, 10:00 A.M.
(Extra Postage, 10 cents)	(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10:45 A.M.)
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail)	Registration, Kowloos B.O., 10:00 A.M.
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Letters, ... 11:00 A.M.	Letters, ... 11:15 A.M.
Saturday, 3rd, 11:00 A.M.	Saturday, 3rd, 3:00 P.M.
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Europe &c, India via Tadzhikistan (Late Letter 11:00 to Noon Extra Postage 10 cents) 10:00 A.M.

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